

Dear parent/carer,

Welcome back to a brand new term! I hope that you all had a fantastic break. It was great to see so many children completing home learning over the holidays based on our new text 'Hamlet' by William Shakespeare. Below are just a few updates and messages. Please continue to log on to our website for further information.

### **Class Learning**

Year 5 children have just started the text 'Hamlet' by William Shakespeare. We are using a child friendly Lois Burdett version of the classic to examine the characters and plot. Year 5 children will also base their foundation learning on the book. If you would like some of the text to read with your child, please ask your class teacher.

In Maths, we are applying our understanding of number to the measurement unit. Over the next few weeks, we will use all four operations to solve problems involving measure.

In Science, our focus will be on Forces. We will be looking at air resistance, water resistance and friction. We will also be working scientifically to show how some mechanisms such as levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

### **Homework**

Homework is now available on the school website. You can access it using the following link.

<http://www.lutonjuniorschool.co.uk/year-5-homework-holiday-challenges/>

If your child would like extra support with home learning or they would like to have their home learning corrected, please do not hesitate to ask.

### **P.E/Banded Books**

Can I remind all parents/carers that your child must have a P.E. kit in school every day. This is to allow them to part take in two P.E. sessions a week. One with their class teacher and one with a sports coach. P.E. kits consist of a pair of shorts/joggers, a t-shirt and suitable footwear.

All children must also get their banded books signed every night to show that they have completed their reading homework. If your child has misplaced their bookmark please let your class teacher know and we can replace it immediately.

Kind regards,  
Emma Courtney

